



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hiroshi HATTORI

Group Art Unit: 2624

Application No.: 09/726,454

Examiner: S. Brinich

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Docket No.: 107850

For: DITHER PATTERN FOR IMAGE FORMING DEVICE

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the December 13, 2005 Office Action, the shortened statutory period for reply extended to April 13, 2006 by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**